INCENDIARY'S TORCH CLAIMS MANY LIVES.

Five Persons Were Cremated In a New York Apartment Flat.

BRAVE RESCUE WORK IS DONE.

Police Found Hallways of Building Covered With Oil and Rags Saturated With Same Substance Were Scattered About. List of Casualties.

New York, June 15.—Five presons were burned to death early today in a flat building at No. 347 East One Hundred and Fifteenth street.

It is believed the fire was of incendiary origin. The dead are:

Teresa de Cicco, 4 years old.
Camille de Cicco, 2 years old.
Alfredo de Cicco, 4 months old.
Francisca Stefano, 8 years old.
Guiseppe Ciriano, 24 years old.

It is asserted by the police that the hallways of the building had been covered with oil and that bundles of rags saturated with the same substance also were found scattered about the place.

The fire was discovered by Lilio de Cicco, who lives on the third floor of the building. He was caring for a sick child when he smelled smoke and looking into the hall found it filled with smoke and flames. De Cicco's cries of "Fire!" aroused the other tenants, most of whom made their escape. De Cicco with his wife and one child were taken down a fire escape by a policeman, who tried to return for the others, but was surrounded by flames at the third floor, and was preparing to jump when the firemen arrived. The building at this time was fiercely burning, but firemen were sent up the ladders in an effort to rescue others.

Ciriano was found on the top floor still alive, but unconscious. He was taken to the hospital, where he died half an hour later. Again the firemen started up the ladder, but they were forced back by the blaze and further search of the building was impossible until the fire was extinguished. The bodies of the three De Cicco children were found in the third floor. The Stefano child was found on the top floor, but was still alive. She died while an ambulance surgeon was trying to resuscitate her.

Ciriano, the first to have assisted members of the Stefano family, was overcome by smoke when he returned to make further rescues.

The police are of the opinion that the fire was of incendiary origin, and are investigating.

There have been a number of incendiary fires in tenement houses in this district and a number of lives have been lost.

TRIAL OF MARCUM'S SLAYERS.

Anti-Hargis People Think Witnesses Are Being Kept Away.

Jackson, Ky., June 15.—Court was convened this morning by Judge Redwine and the trials of Jett and White, charged with the assassination of Attorney James B. Marcum, resumed.

Commonwealth's Attorney Byrd stated that the detail sent out last night to arrest and bring into court Henry Freeman, a badly wanted witness, had returned without the man. Lieutenant Kennard and Deputy Whittaker, sent by the commonwealth, say that Goodlee Coombs went along on the orders of Judge Redwine and to the surprise of the soldiers when within a hundred yards of Freeman's house he ran ahead and fired two shots. He claimed that he saw something on the road. When the soldiers arrived at Freeman's house he was not there. Evidences that Freeman had run away when he heard the shots were that some garments had been left behind and his imprint in the bed was fresh. His wife admitted that he had been there and she was held, but Judge Redwine refused to have her as a witness.

The anti-Hargis people say that Freeman is an important witness and they feel that he has been hired to remain away from court.

Mr. Byrd says he would have to close the case without Freeman and submitted the case of the commonwealth. Attorney O'Neill for the defense moved for peremptory instructions dismissing the defendants. Judge Redwine excused the jury to hear the arguments on the motion.

NORTHERN SECURITIES CO.

Preparations Being Made for Dissolution of Same.

New York, June 15.—It is stated by the New York American that the Northern Securities company will be voluntarily dissolved and that the stocks of the Great Northern Railroad company will be distributed among the shareholders. In this manner the properties mentioned will be returned to their former owners.

The preparations are being for the dissolution of the Securities company is declared by the American to have been learned on the highest authority, but officials of the company refuse either to confirm or deny the statement. It is said, however, that the appeal now pending in the United States supreme court will be carried to its conclusion so as to establish the legal status of such companies by the court of last resort.

The Northern Securities company was incorporated in 1901, with a capital of $400,000,000. Its formation was the outcome of a struggle for control of the Northern Pacific, which precipitated the stock market panic of May 9, 1901.

BIG BANKING COMBINE.

Strongest Financial Organization Ever Undertaken in U. S.

Pittsburg, June 15.—Plans have been perfected for the formation in Pittsburg of one of the greatest combinations of banking interests ever undertaken in this country.

By the deal the Farmers' Deposit National bank, Colonial Trust company, Colonial National bank, American Trust company, Pennsylvania National bank, Germania Savings and Freedman Hold bank, will be merged, making the largest and most powerful institution between Philadelphia and Chicago.

E. Hart Given, the president of the Farmers' National Deposit bank, will be president of the new concern. The new institution will be backed by one of the most active and aggressive financial groups of capitalists west of New York.

Excitement in Cotton Market.

New Orleans, June 15.—Today's session in the cotton market was one of the most exciting in the present bull campaign. Liverpool reported sensational davnces, sending middling American to 7d and both the Egyptian bull clique and Sully were said to be operating heavily and buying the market to a standstill. This news influenced the strong bullish sentiment already existing and on a firm tone prices advanced from 11 to 34 points above the closing of yesterday. At the close July was 7 points above the closing of yesterday at 13.41; August 11 points above, at 13.25; September was 24 points above at 11.56; October was 31 points at 10.15 and December was 10 points above at 9.88.

STRIKE OF COOKS AND WAITERS.

Chicago Unions Will Carry War to Bitter End.

Chicago, June 15.—With the union employes of 26 hotels, including practically all the large hotels in Chicago, already out on strike, the officers of the Cooks and Waiters unions announce their intention this morning of again turning their attention to the restaurants and cafes.

They have decided to stake the success of their movement for better working conditions and if necessary the existence of their organization in an effort to involve the resources of their local and international unions. Particular attention, it is declared, is to be given the department store restaurants and their first move will be against them. While they did their work thoroughly among the hotels, the strikers have succeeded in only partially crippling the hotel service.

Many of the establishments served breakfast with varying degrees of success today and already there is a noticeable influx of outside help.

Many of the restaurant owners informed their employes today that those who obeyed the union and struck would be permanently discharged. Restaurant owners and hotel proprietors alike have decided that unless the unions agree by Monday to submit their grievance to arbitration, in all places where the employes have walked out so far, the union would be ignored and the employes treated only as individuals. Hundreds of business men today carried their lunches from home with them, having learned that the hotel war probably would be extended to include all restaurants.

Signed Death Warrant.

New Orleans, June 15.—Governor Heard has signed the death warrant of A. E. Batson, of Missouri, convicted of the murder of seven boys of the Earl family, and fixed August 14 as the date of the execution.

LANDSLIDE BLOCKS TRAINS.

Deep Cut on Southern Filled with Tons of Rock.

Asheville, N. C., June 16.—The side of a mountain caved in on the Southern tracks between Spartanburg and Asheville, at noon Friday.

Thousands of tons of rock and dirt plunged downward, completely filling one of the largest railroad cuts in the mountains of Western North Carolina, and effectually shutting off all traffic from the south.

The landslide occurred near Tryon, N. C., just at the foot of the Saluda mountain. The road had just succeeded in resuming operation of trains which were blocked by washouts in Spartanburg county last week, Thursday being the first day that regular schedules were in effect.

The present disaster will cause annullment of all trains on this road for at least seven days, as authorities say that it will be impossible to clear the track before that time.

It is also given out that another crack is seen in the mountain just in the rear of the cliff from which the avalanche descended, and it is predicted that another tumble of earth and rock will occur, in which case the railroad people say that it will be at least twelve days before the running of through trains can be resumed.

HIGHER PRICES FOR HOSIERY.

Southern Manufacturers Will Meet To Make Increases.

Chattanooga, Tenn., June 15.—The Southern Hosiery Manufacturers' association will meet in called session at Asheville, N. C., June 17, to consider the question of advancing prices.

At the meeting held in March prices were advanced on new business, but since this time there has been a great increase in the price of raw material.

For instance, yarns that were formerly bought for 13 cents are now costing 19 cents. The increase agreed to in March has not yet been put into effect for the reason that the hosiery makers did not feel justified in seeking business even at the increased prices, in view of the prevailing conditions in cotton.

The southern mills now have all the orders they care to fill at prevailing prices, and will not make any effort to secure new business until conditions become more settled.

At the Asheville meeting it is probable that a further increase in prices will be agreed to, to be put into effect at a certain time, provided cotton continues to soar.

At prevailing prices of cotton yarn the mills are not profiting much on contracts accepted at old prices.

TOOK THE MORPHINE ROUTE.

J. C. Dickson, Merchant of Tiger, Ends Life at Clayton.

Tallulah Falls, Ga., June 15.—J. C. Dickson, a merchant at Tiger, Ga., committed suicide at Clayton, this county, Thursday by taking two bottles of morphine.

Physicians were immediately summoned, but they could not get him to take any medicine for relief, as he stated he had taken the morphine to die. He took the morphine about 2 o'clock in the afternoon and died at 12 o'clock at night.

He leaves a wife and one child. He was the only living son of Rev. J. S. Dickson, the most prominent Baptist minister in the county.

The cause of the suicide is unknown.

Oscar Cicero Is Hanged.

Camilla, Ga., June 15.—Oscar Cicero, a notorious negro outlaw, known as the "Black Diamond," was hanged here Friday by Sheriff Smith for the murder of another negro about a year ago. The drop fell at 12:05 and he died game to the last. In all of his criminal career Cicero never had any serious trouble with a white man, his troubles being always with his own race.

Railway Mechanics Resume Work.

Kansas City, June 15.—The differences between the Kansas City Southern railroad and its mechanics have been adjusted and the strike has officially been declared off. The men at the shops at Pittsburg, Kans., were paid at the rate of 31 cents an hour and those at Shreveport at 33. The men asked an increase of from 2 to 4 cents an hour, which was refused. It is understood, however, that the railroad officers promised an increase at an early date. Most of the strikers have returned to work.

ATTEMPTS CONSUL'S LIFE.

Italian Sailor Tried to Kill Signor Tornielli at Havana.

Havana, June 15.—While the Italian consul here, Vigio Tornielli, was seated in his office yesterday afternoon, a young Italian sailor entered and inquired whether he was the consul, and on receiving an affirmative reply, he whipped out a revolver and fired.

The bullet grazed the consul's head. The sailor turned and fled along the street, pursued by the consul.

The miscreant ineffectively fired the only charge in his revolver at his nearest pursuers. He was finally overpowered and arrested. He gave the name of Pietro-Alliney, and offered no explanation other than he was compelled to do the deed. It is believed that he is insane.

Forty-Six Days Without Food.

Augusta, Ga., June 15.—Dr. W. R. Wilkinson fasted his 46th day yesterday and walked 3½ miles. He is feeling finely and will continue to fast until his normal hunger returns.

GIRL SINKS AX IN STEPFATHER'S HEAD

Tennesseean Slain by Girl of Thirteen Years.

BLADE SUNK DEEP INTO SKULL.

Was Chastising One of His Stepsons When Boy Called to His Sister For Help, the Girl Responding with Above Result.

Knoxville, June 13.—A special from Sneedville, Tenn., says that Lewis Bolin, aged about 60 years, was murdered by his 13-year-old stepdaughter, who struck him in the back of the head with an ax, sinking the blade of the weapon deep into his skull.

Bolin was chastising one of his stepsons, when the boy called to his sister for help. The little girl responded with the above result.

These two and another stepchild are in jail at Sneedville.

ROBBERY ON ERIE RAILWAY.

Express Car on Eastbound Train Looted of Valuables.

Rochester, Ind., June 13.—Last midnight an express car attached to an eastbound train on the Erie railway was entered by robbers just outside of Chicago and completely looted.

The robbers threw undesirable express packages along the road all the way from Hammond to Rochester. A freight train followed the express train and picked up the packages. At Huntington, the express car door was forced open. As this was done, one of the robbers dashed out, firing two shots from his revolver and made his escape.

The police then made their way into the car and found two other robbers hidden behind some packages. They were covered with revolvers and placed under arrest. On their persons were found a large number of valuable packages. The interior of the car was looted, as every package, with the exception of one, had been opened. This package contained about $7,000 worth of valuables.

HEAVY BLAST IN SUBWAY.

Many Persons Injured and Houses Shaken to Foundations.

New York, June 13.—Many persons have been slightly injured by the discharge of a heavy blast in the subway at Broadway and Forty-third street. Windows were broken on both sides of the streets, heavy rocks were thrown to the roofs of nearby buildings and a shower of splinters and stones hurt many persons, but none seriously.

The shock so startled a barber in a shop nearby that he drew his razor's edge across the customer's cheek and laid it open for three inches. No explanation for the heavy charge of dynamite has been obtainable.

Financing Big Deal.

Memphis, Tenn., June 13.—C. M. Carrier & Son, of Sardis, Miss., have arranged with the Memphis Trust company for the financing of a $300,000 railroad and timber deal in Mississippi. The project includes the building of 20 miles of railroad eastward from Sardis, Miss., to be known as the Sardis and Delta railroad, the purchase of 25,000 acres of timber lands in Quitman and Panola counties and the building and equipping of milling plants at Sardis for utilizing the hardwood timber on the tract. The projected mills are to cost in the neighborhood of $100,000.

Victim of Rare Disease.

New York, June 15.—Pauline Burkhardt, aged 16, has been found by the authorities of St. Lukes hospital to be the victim of one of the rarest diseases, myelitis. It is a form of paralysis and in two weeks has deadened every muscle in the girl's body below the hips. The girl never had been ill until this disease attacked her two weeks ago.

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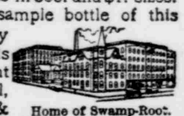

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